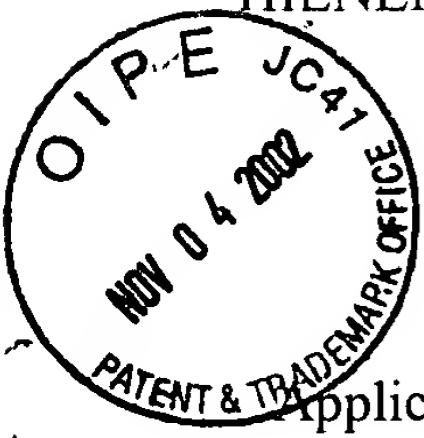


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This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/213,373 filed June 23, 2000 and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/788,736 filed February 20, 2001, which is a continuation from U.S. Patent Application No. 09/265,043 filed March 9, 1999. Since this application claims the benefit of a filing date prior to November 29, 2000, the date 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2) went into effect, Applicant does not believe the statutory fee is applicable. Furthermore, Applicant does not believe the statutory fee is applicable because the as-filed patent application did include the priority claim, except for the inadvertently omitted phrase "is a continuation-in-part from, and."

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